

## **BLM Nevada Resource Advisory Council Meetings**

### *Making them work for everyone*

The BLM recognizes the value of public attendance at its Resource Advisory Council meetings and appreciates the public's interest in expressing themselves on matters of common concern. Most of the meeting is designed as a working meeting *of the council*, and time is set aside for public comment. Therefore the seating and presentation arrangements are primarily set for a 'Board meeting'. The public is invited to the full meeting as observers, both in person and via webcam when available. The BLM is designating the following 'rules of the room' both to ensure a smooth meeting for all engaged and to ensure clear sight lines for the webcam.

### Rules of the Room for the Public

1. Seating is available for attendees. Anyone needing or wishing to stand will stand in the designated area behind the seats. All attendees are to stay in the seating or standing area at all times, unless addressing the Council during the public comment period.
2. Speakers and other attendees will not approach the dais at any time without prior consent from the Chair of the meeting.
3. Media or others wishing to film the meeting will check in at the door and be guided to the space set aside for cameras.
4. No attendees will be allowed to place microphones, cameras or other equipment in the space set aside for the Council meeting.
5. All attendees will show mutual respect for each other and for speakers and Council members. This includes refraining from using cell phones or talking while the meeting is in session.
6. Those wishing to address the Council will sign in at the door. If someone has not signed in, they will not be permitted to comment.
7. Generally speakers have about 3 minutes each and are asked to finish in the designated time to allow for the maximum number of individuals to express their viewpoints. The amount of time scheduled for public presentations and meeting times may be extended when the authorized representative and RAC chair consider it necessary to accommodate all who seek to be heard regarding matters on the agenda.
8. Attendees wishing to provide handouts to the Council will leave handouts with the BLM representative at the door. No one will be allowed to approach the Board with handouts.
9. The Council will not respond to comments made during the public participation period. This should not be interpreted to mean the members of the board agree or disagree with anything said.
10. The Chair reserves the right to comment on any factual inaccuracies that may be shared during the public comment period.
11. The BLM commits to maintaining these rules for the benefit of all involved and appreciates everyone's cooperation with these rules.